(घ) सवाईमाधोपुर रेलवे स्टेशन से बजरिया तक ऊपरी पुल का निर्माण कब तक किये जाने की सम्भावना है ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री जॉर्ज फर्नान्डीज) : (क) से (घ) सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

**Paddy crop cultivation**

1377. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the area under cultivation of Paddy crop in Rabi and Kharif Seasons during the last three years in different states;

(b) whether there has been any increase in area under cultivation of paddy crop in eastern zone as per the targets set up; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) A statement giving area under rice/paddy Statewise for Kharif and Rabi Seasons during the last three years is annexed. [*See* Annexure No. 59].

(b) and (c) Long term compound growth rate of area in respect of rice/paddy had been observed to be positive in respect of the major States in the Eastern part of the country except Bihar and Orissa as given below:—

| State | Compound Growth Rate (1967-68 to 1988-89) Per cent per Annum |
|---|---|
| Assam | 0.67 |
| Bihar | —0.12 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 0.81 |
| Orissa | —0.34 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 1.14 |

The targets of aera, as such, are not fixed by the Government.

**Central Plant Protection Centre, Hyderabad**

1378. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Plant Protection Centre at Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad is being raised to the status of deemed University;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what are the present activities of the Centre; and

(d) whether the above Centre has any tie up with Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University or IARI, New Delhi?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) The Centre organises undertakes:

(i) Long term and short term courses in various disciplines of plant protection technology largely for the benefit of extension functionaries and unemployed agricultural graduates;

(ii) Workshops and Seminars for exchange of latest technological developments in plant protection; and

(iii) Adaptive research in plant protection.

(d) Yes, Sir.

**देश में बेरोजगारी की स्थिति**

1379. डा. अबरार अहमद खान : क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस समय देश में रोजगार केन्द्रों के पास दर्ज बेरोजगारों तथा अर्ध-बेरोजगारों की संख्या कितनी है । शिक्षित तथा अशिक्षित बेरोजगार